

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
ENTERED

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Michael N. Milby, Clerk

Edwin A. Allseitz, Jr.

Plaintiff,

VS.

Arthur Levitt, et al.

Defendants.

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CIVIL ACTION NO.H-97-2632

ORDER

Plaintiff filed this case, *pro se*, on August 5, 1997. Since then, there has been no evidence of any activity to prosecute the case. There is no return of service in this court's file. On August 5, 1997, the court ordered plaintiff to appear for initial pretrial and scheduling conference, and to submit a discovery/case management plan. The court's order admonished him that failure to comply as directed would result in dismissal for want of prosecution. The plaintiff has failed to comply.

The plaintiff's *pro se* status is no excuse for failure to comply with procedural requirements. *See Faretta v. California*, 422 U.S. 806, 835 n.46 (1975); *see generally Link v. Wabash Railroad*, 370 U.S. 626 (1962).

Therefore, in the interest of justice and judicial economy, and in order to

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permit consideration of cases which parties are actively pursuing, this case will be dismissed for want of prosecution.

SIGNED on November 21, 1997, at Houston, Texas.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee H. Rosenthal", written over a horizontal line.

Lee H. Rosenthal
United States District Judge